

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. NO. 4602-01  
BILL NO. HB 2097  
SUBJECT: Women Offender Program  
TYPE: Original  
DATE: April 4, 2000

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**FISCAL SUMMARY**

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<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
General Revenue	(\$100,394 to Unknown)	(\$103,785 to Unknown)	(\$106,423 to Unknown)
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds</b>	<b>(\$100,394 to Unknown)</b>	<b>(\$103,785 to Unknown)</b>	<b>(\$106,423 to Unknown)</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
None			
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses  
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## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Health** assume the proposed legislation would have no fiscal impact on their agency.

Officials from the **Department of Corrections (DOC)** assume they would require that a Women Offender Program Specialist be hired to direct this program, as well as a Clerk IV to perform as a support staff person. Also included are the related janitorial (\$160) and utility (\$320) expenses per each FTE. The advisory committee expenses are estimated to be approximately \$100 per meeting per each of the six board members, or \$600 per meeting, and it is anticipated that meetings would be held quarterly. Program-related expense and equipment necessary to provide the various programs would also be necessary, but those costs are unknown at this time and are not included in this estimate. The total fiscal impact as it relates to the DOC is unknown, but estimated to be significant, or in excess of \$100,000 per year. The unknown costs that may result due to passage of this legislation would be requested through normal budgetary request procedures for the time periods affected by passage of this legislation.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
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### **GENERAL REVENUE**

#### Costs - Department of Corrections

Salaries	(\$59,563)	(\$73,292)	(\$75,124)
Fringe Benefits	(\$17,803)	(\$21,907)	(\$22,455)
Expense and Equipment	<u>(\$23,028)</u>	<u>(\$8,586)</u>	<u>(\$8,844)</u>
Subtotal	(\$100,394)	(\$103,785)	(\$106,423)

Program Services	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
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<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE</b>	<b>(\$100,394 to <u>Unknown</u>)</b>	<b>(\$103,785 to <u>Unknown</u>)</b>	<b>(\$106,423 to <u>Unknown</u>)</b>
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<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact on small businesses would be expected due to this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation creates the women's offender program within the Department of Corrections. Women offenders under the program will be provided a continuum of supervision strategies and program services for female probationers, prisoners, and parolees.

The proposal also establishes an advisory committee of women's programs. It will be the duty of the advisory committee to address the needs of women in the criminal justice system.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program, and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Corrections  
Department of Health

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April 4, 2000